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Application No. 09/496,405-Conf. #6155		Filing Date February 2, 2000		Examiner T. J. Henn	
Art Unit 2612					
Applicant(s): Michiaki UCHIKAWA					
Invention: IMAGE FILE APPARATUS					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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Independent Claims	3	- 3 =		x	
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-7, 9-15, and 17-20, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.